

Babysitter Checklist

- ☐ Did you know that drowning is a leading cause of accidental death in Arizona for children under the age of five?
- ☐ Have you been trained in CPR?
- ☐ Is the pool gate closed and locked?
- ☐ Are all doors and windows leading to the pool area secured?
- ☐ Is there any way a child could get into the pool, such as squeezing through a hole in the fence?
- ☐ Are there chairs, tables or toys nearby that a child could use to climb over the pool fence?
- ☐ Is the 9-1-1 emergency number, and both the home address and phone number posted on every phone?
- ☐ Be sure to obtain specific permission from parents before allowing anyone to use the pool.

NEVER leave a child alone near ANY body of water — not even for “just a moment”. ***A child can drown in the time it takes to answer the phone!***

**In case of an
emergency,
CALL 9-1-1**

Safety Tips






- Install and maintain an isolation fence separating your pool from the house and play yard.
- There is no substitute for adult supervision — NEVER leave a child alone near ANY body of water!
- Designate an adult to supervise children around ANY water, especially at social gatherings.
- Never consider children to be “water-safe” despite swimming skills, previous swimming lessons, or experience.
- Floaties, swimmies, or other inflatable flotation toys are NOT life jackets and should NEVER be substituted for adult supervision.
- Keep toys, tricycles and other play things away from the pool or spa.
- Assure a clear view from the house to the pool or spa by removing vegetation and other obstacles.
- Always completely remove the cover before using the pool or spa. BEWARE: light-weight, floating solar-type pool and spa covers are NOT safety covers — a child can become trapped under this type of cover!

Drownings are preventable!

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Did you know...

-  The vast majority of ALL drowning deaths occur in the family's pool.
-  Typically, the child was last seen in a "safe" area, far from the pool.
-  The most common drowning victim is a two-year-old male.
-  These tragedies often occur while one or both parents are home.
-  Drowning is "The Silent Killer" because there is often no cry for help and very little sound from splashing.

ALWAYS designate an adult to supervise children in or around ANY body of water — especially during parties or other social gatherings!

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